

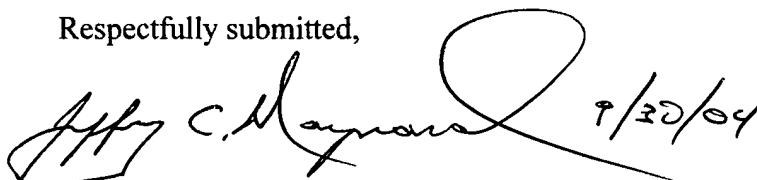
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully requests reconsideration of this application, as amended herein. Claims 1-6, 8, and 9-22 were pending in the application. Claims 1-6 and 9-17 have been canceled. Therefore, Claims 18-22 are pending in the application. The Examiner indicated that Claims 18-22 are allowed. Applicants have canceled the non-allowed claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have made a diligent effort to address the objections identified by the Examiner and to place the claims in condition for allowance. Applicants believe all claims remaining in the application are allowable. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowability is respectfully requested. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that the present application is not in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below so that additional changes may be discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey C. Maynard", is written over a horizontal line. To the right of the signature, the date "9/30/04" is handwritten.

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